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Subcommittee to hold Field Hearing on
Faith-Based Service Providers

What: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources oversight hearing on Faith-based Perspectives on the Provision of Community Services.

When: Monday, June 16, 2003, 8:30 a.m.

Where: Franklin City Commission Chambers, 109 Third Avenue, Franklin, Tennessee

Background:

Research in the area of the effectiveness of faith-based organizations is limited, and often largely anecdotal. The question remains as to what factors make the faith-based organization uniquely qualified to provide social services. This hearing is intended to begin consideration of what, in the eyes of the providers, makes faith-based organizations especially equipped to provide social services to the community.

Among the Subcommittee members joining Chairman Mark Souder in the consideration of this important issue will be Representative Marsha Blackburn, who represents Tennessee's 7th Congressional District.

Witnesses:

Mrs. Paige Pitts, New Hope Academy, Franklin, Tennessee
Rev. Scott Roley and Rev. Denny Denson, Empty Hands Fellowship, Franklin, Tennessee
Mr. Onnie Kirk, The Family Foundation, Nashville, Tennessee
Mr. Robert Flores, Lighthouse Outreach Ministries, Inc., Lawrenceburg, Tennessee
Mr. John Lanza and Mr. Dennis Bradby, Corrections Corporation of America,
Nashville, Tennessee

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